## Are You Hepatitis B Positive and Pregnant?

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

if you are pregnant and have hepatitis B:

Babies born to mothers infected with hepatitis B are at high risk of becoming infected <u>if they are not treated</u>. Babies who are infected may die of liver disease or liver cancer as adults.

Although you have hepatitis B, there is treatment that can prevent hepatitis B infection in your baby and household members. Follow these steps to fully protect them:

## $\mathbf{M}_{\mathrm{ake}}$ sure your baby gets three shots of hepatitis B vaccine.

Since you have hepatitis B, your baby needs Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (HBIG) and the first shot of hepatitis B vaccine at birth. A second shot of vaccine is needed at 1-2 months of age and a third shot at 6 months of age.

It is extremely important for your baby to get all three shots of vaccine on time for full protection.

Have your baby tested after he/she has gotten all three shots of hepatitis B vaccine.

After your baby gets all three shots of hepatitis B vaccine, a blood test needs to be done to make sure your baby is <u>fully</u> protected. Babies born to mothers infected with hepatitis B need to be tested 3 to 9 months after the third shot.

Make sure your household members get three shots of hepatitis B vaccine if they are not already protected.

Since you have hepatitis B, your household members need to be tested for hepatitis B. This includes your sex partner, your children, relatives, and anyone else living with you. If test results show they are not already protected, they need to get three shots of hepatitis B vaccine.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO FULLY PROTECT YOUR BABY AND HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

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